

**Eastside Elementary School Parent  
Involvement Plan for Shared  
Student Success**

**2017-2018 School Year**



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**What is Title I?**

Eastside Elementary is identified as a Title I school as part of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Title I is designed to support state and local school reform efforts tied to challenging state academic standards in order to reinforce and enhance efforts to improve teaching and learning for students. Title I programs must be based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support family involvement. All Title I schools must involve families in the written parent and family engagement policy.

**School Plan for Shared Student Achievement**

**What is it?** This is a plan that describes how Eastside Elementary will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. Eastside Elementary values the contributions and involvement of parents in order to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that Eastside Elementary will support parent engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home.

**How is it developed?** Eastside Elementary School welcomes parent input and comments at any time regarding this plan. All parent feedback will be used to revise the plan for next year. The plan is posted on our school website for parents to view and post comments and suggestions. We also send home, with all students, an annual parent survey and it is also made available online. In the survey, parents are asked for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for parent involvement. Parents are also given the opportunity to give feedback during our annual Title I Parent meeting, Parent Advisory Council meetings and at other parent meetings, throughout the school year.

**Who is it for?** All students participating in the Title I, Part A program, and their families, are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan. Eastside Elementary will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents with limited English, parents with disabilities and parents of migratory children.

**Where is it available?** At the beginning of the year, the plan is included in a packet of information that is sent home with all students. As a reminder, we will distribute the plan to all parents in August at the Annual Title I Parent Meeting. Parents can also obtain a copy of the plan in the Parent Resource Center and on the Eastside Elementary school website.



### **Parent and Family Engagement**

Eastside Elementary believes that family engagement means the participation of parents and family members in regular two-way, meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities.

This will be accomplished by:

- Parents playing an integral role in assisting their child's learning;
- Encouraging parents to be actively involved in their child's education at school and at home;
- Ensuring that parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child;
- Including parents in other activities described in this plan.

Eastside Elementary is committed to helping our parents attend the parental activities listed in this plan and may be able to help those who need assistance to participate in our programs. A Parent Resource Center is provided for you to checkout educational games, kits, workbooks, and electronics. We also provide checkout of laptop computers, after a brief orientation, for a period of two weeks. It is open daily, but please stop by the front office first.

### **Eastside Elementary is Branching Out!**

Eastside Elementary will take the following measures to promote and support parents as an important foundation of the school in order to strengthen the school and reach our school goals. We will –

- ✓ Ensure that all information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is published in both English and Spanish (when possible), and posted on the school website and included in the monthly school newsletter for all parents.
- ✓ Conduct staff development at least two times per school year on parent involvement practices and effective strategies for staff to communicate and build partnerships with parents.
- ✓ Partner with Head Start and Early Reading programs to share school information about parent engagement activities that will help prepare parents and their children for kindergarten and improve school transition.
- ✓ Share information on the school website and in the school newsletter for parents to understand the school's academic standards and assessments as well as the ways parents can monitor their child's progress and work with educators.
- ✓ Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding school-wide events and activities, such as phone messages, social media, and flyers.
- ✓ Work with our parents to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parental and family engagement.
- ✓ Provide necessary materials for parents at conferences, meetings, and activities to help them work with their child to improve their child's achievement.
- ✓ Collaborate with community leaders and business groups to increase participation and awareness of the school parental and family engagement plan and activities.
- ✓ Listen and respond to parents' requests for additional support for parental and family engagement activities.

**Student Achievement**

**Parent and Family Engagement Standards**

Eastside Elementary and our parents have adopted the National PTA Standards for Family-School Partnerships as the school's model in engaging parents, students, and the community. These standards are –

1. Welcoming All Families
2. Communicating Effectively
3. Supporting Student Success
4. Speaking Up for Every Child
5. Sharing Power
6. Collaborating with Community

**Parent Advisory Council**

Eastside Elementary invites all parents to join the Parent Advisory Council (PAC) and to share ideas and ways to involve other parents to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. The council will meet three times during the school year. Parents can submit their ideas or suggestions during all school activities and meetings, as well as through our parent surveys and website. If you would like to learn more about the Parent Advisory Council, please contact the principal or the Instructional Lead Teacher at (770) 651-3800 or complete the interest form and leave it in the Main Office.

**Parent Advisory Council**

- Yes, I am excited about joining the Parent Advisory Council
- Yes, please contact me so I can learn more about the Parent Advisory Council
- Please keep me posted about future meetings

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name and Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_



**Share Your Thoughts**

We want to hear from you. If you have any suggestions or if there is any part of this plan that you feel is not satisfactory with the students' and the school's goals for academic achievement, please provide us with your comments in the space provided and leave this form in the Main Office:

Name: (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

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